

Washington - Today, House Judiciary Committee Chairman John Conyers, Jr. and Subcommittee Chairwoman Linda Sánchez expanded their investigation into the U.S. Attorney scandal by demanding additional information from the White House, including interviews with key officials including former White House Counsel Harriet Miers.

Chairman Conyers and Chairwoman Sánchez sent letters today to the White House Counsel's office, and to Ms. Miers' office asking to interview Ms. Miers and Deputy Counsel William Kelly. The letters also ask the Bush Administration to produce relevant documents, including White House communications on the firings with the Justice Department and Members of Congress.

"Until we get a clear and credible answer from the Bush Administration on who made the decision to fire these U.S. Attorneys, and why they did it, we will continue our investigation," said Chairman Conyers. "We will keep working to make sure that those who would contaminate our justice system with partisan politics are held accountable."

"I am hopeful that the Bush Administration will work with us to get to the truth on this issue, especially after reading the Attorney General's stated support for legislation that would take politics out of the U.S. Attorney selection process," said Chairwoman Sánchez. "The threshold for cooperation in Washington used to be 'Trust, but verify.' We are sending these letters today because, at this point, we'd be happy just to verify."